PUBLIC NOTICE



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PUBLIC NOTICE FOR FEDERAL REGISTER NOTICE ANNOUNCING NEW NATIONWIDE PERMITS

On 15 January 2002, in Part II of the *Federal Register* (67FR 2020- 2095), the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers announced the reissuance of all existing Nationwide Permits (NWPs), General Conditions, and definitions with some modifications, and one new General Condition (index attached).

After the publication of this *Federal Register* notice, Corps districts will begin finalizing their regional conditions for the new and modified NWPs. Regional conditions will provide additional protection for the aquatic environment, by ensuring that the NWPs authorize only those activities with minimal adverse effects on the aquatic environment. Regional conditions will help ensure protection of high value waters within the District.

The publication of this *Federal Register* notice also begins a 60-day process for States and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (for Tribal lands in Kansas) to make their Section 401 water quality certification decisions. The 401 decisions must be made within 60 days of publication of the 15 January 2002 <u>Federal Register</u>. At the end of this 60-day period, the reissued NWPs and Corps regional conditions will become effective on 18 March 2002.

The 15 January 2002 *Federal Register* notice is available for viewing at the Kansas City District Corps of Engineers Regulatory Program Office, Room 706, 601 East 12th Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64106, or on the Internet at http://www.usace.army.mil/inet/functions/cw/cecwo/reg/2002nwps.pdf. As an alternate, World Wide Web users can access the *Federal Register* through the U.S. Government Printing Office at http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/aces/aces140.html.

The Corps has also issued final decision documents for the new and modified NWPs. These documents are also available on the Internet at http://www.usace.army.mil/inet/functions/cw/cecwo/reg/nw2002dd/index.htm and Corps district offices. Furthermore, the NWP decision documents will be supplemented by Division Engineers to address decisions concerning regional conditioning of the NWPs.

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- 8. Oil and Gas Structures
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- 10. Mooring Buoys
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